

MINUTES
EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE MEETING
Tuesday, December 13, 2022

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Weld called the meeting to order. The following Council Members were present: Emily Anderson, Emily Berge, Jill Christopherson, Kate Felton, Jeremy Gragert, Charles Johnson, Roderick Jones, Larry Mboga, Joshua Miller, Terry Weld and Andrew Werthmann.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Council considered a resolution adopting the Consent Agenda for the following items of routine business on Tuesday, December 13, 2022:
Adopting the Consent Agenda.

Approving the Minutes of the November 22, 2022 Council Legislative Session.

Granting new bartender licenses.

Resolution granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to the Chippewa Valley Museum, President, Jeff Stevens, 1204 E Half Moon Drive, on December 29, 2022, for the Then and Now Exhibit Closing Party.

Resolution granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage and Temporary Class B Wine license to The Children's Museum of Eau Claire, President, Jason Munz, 126 N. Barstow Street, on January 6, 2023, for the 18th Birthday Gala event.

Resolution granting a Temporary Class B Fermented Malt Beverage license to St. Olaf Parish, Pastor, Rev. James R. Kurzynski, 3220 Monroe Street, for the St. Olaf Fish Fry events for the dates of January 6 & 20, February 3 & 17, March 3 & 17, and April 14 & 28, 2023.

Resolution granting a Pawnbroker license to National Pawn LLC, d/b/a National Pawn, 1232 W Clairemont Avenue, David D. Homann, agent.

Resolution awarding a contract for Procurement No. 2023-01, Gateway NW Business Park

Preliminary resolution declaring the City's intention to exercise its special assessment powers under Section 66.0703, Wisconsin Statutes, for alley improvements, and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a hearing scheduled for January 23, 2023, on the following alleys:

- Alley East of Putnam Street, Birch Street to Omaha Street (23-501);
- Alley East of Cochrane Street, Birch Street to Omaha Street (23-502);
- Alley East of Balcom Street, Omaha Street to North End (23-503);
- Alley East of Pershing Street, Addison Avenue to Oak Park Avenue (23-504);

- Mercury Avenue, Eddy Lane to South End (23-505).

Preliminary resolution declaring the City's intention to exercise its special assessment powers under Section 66.0703, Wisconsin Statutes, for street, utility, and sidewalk improvements, and directing the City Clerk to give notice of a hearing scheduled for January 23, 2023, on the following streets:

- Fairfax Street, S. Hastings Way to Highland Avenue (23-101);
- South Hastings Way Frontage Road, Pine Lodge Road to Gateway Drive (23-102);
- Fairfax Street, Arthur Street to Mitscher Avenue (23-301);
- N. Hastings Place, 500 Feet West of Pine Street to Pine Street (23-302).

Approving a lease agreement for parking with Christ Church Cathedral for the premise located at 602 South Farwell Street.

President Weld indicated that a request was made that agenda item #13 regarding the recinsiding the amendment to Tax Increment District #9 be considered separately. No objection was voiced and agenda item #13 was separated.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Jones "to adopt the consent resolution without item #13." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

TID #9

The City Council considered a resolution rescinding the amendment of Tax Increment District #9. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Felton "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CITY MANAGER EVALUATION COMMITTEE

The City Council considered a resolution Approving the Formation of a City Manager Evaluation Committee. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Anderson "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

TRANSIT AGREEMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute the 2023 Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Supplemental Agreement between the City of Eau Claire and the City of Chippewa Falls. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson "to adopt the resolution." Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City of Eau Claire, to apply for and execute the 2023 5307 Federal Mass Urban Transit Operating Assistance and the 5339 Capital Assistance grants with the Federal Transit Administration. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City of Eau Claire, to apply for and execute the 2023 85.20 Transportation Operating Assistance grant and the 2023 85.205 Urban Mass Transit Assistance – Paratransit Supplemental Aid with the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Jones “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

FINAL PLAT

The City Council considered a resolution approving the final plat for SCS Eau Claire Phase III located at Ashton Circle (File P-13-22). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Gragert and seconded by Council Member Felton “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

HEALTH INSURANCE

The City Council considered a resolution extending the current health insurance plan with Group Health Cooperative. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Anderson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

SKYPARK

The City Council considered a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Purchase Agreement with JSAH, LLC for the purchase of Lot 21, a City owned parcel located at 0 Continental Drive in Sky Park Industrial Center. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Berge and seconded by Council Member Christopherson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

The City Council considered a resolution approving appointments and reappointments to various Boards, Commissions and Committees. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Mboga and seconded by Council Member Johnson “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

CREATING A NEW WARD

The City Council considered a resolution creating a new voting ward within the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Jones “to adopt the resolution.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

ALDERMANIC DISTRICT

The Council considered an ordinance relating to the City Council and the reapportionment of the Aldermanic Districts of the City of Eau Claire. Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Felton and seconded by Council Member Miller “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

REZONING PROPERTY

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property from C-3H to R-4P located at 955 W. Clairemont Avenue to adopt the general development plan with site plan for multi-family development and parking with a planned development (Z-1718-22). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Werthmann and seconded by Council Member Mboga “to postpone” to the January 9, 2023 & January 10, 2023 City Council meetings. Said motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: Council Members: Anderson, Mboga, Werthmann.

Nay: Council Members: Berge, Christopherson, Felton, Gragert, Johnson, Jones, Miller, Weld.

Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Mboga “to adopt the ordinance.” Said motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: Council Members Berge, Christopherson, Felton, Gragert, Jones, Weld.

Nay: Council Members Anderson, Johnson, Mboga, Miller, Werthmann.

The Council considered an ordinance rezoning property from TR-1A to R-3P located at Hwy 53, northwest of Prairie Park Drive to adopt the general development plan for multi-family residential (Z-1719-22). Thereupon a motion was offered by Council Member Christopherson and seconded by Council Member Werthmann “to postpone” to the January 9, 2023 & January 10, 2023 City Council meetings. Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

STUDY SESSION

The City Council heard a Study Session for Consideration of a Low/No Mow May Campaign.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection.

Adjournment: December 13, 2022

Time: 7:01 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Terry L. Weld
Council President

/s/ Nicholas L. Koerner
City Clerk